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May 9, 1902

NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields—Fruit port.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, April 27, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended April 26, 1902:

Present officially estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 1. Prevailing diseases, none. The 1 death above noted was from old age. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: April 23, steamship *Ulstein*, crew, 15; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none. April 26, steamship *Nicaragua*, crew, 18; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

D. W. GOODMAN,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila.

MANILA, P. I., March 20, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to report that 1 case of plague was reported in Manila, P. I., for the two weeks ended March 15, 1902, occurring in a Chinese with fatal results.

No smallpox was reported for this period.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Cholera in Manila—Its introduction—Cases and deaths.*

MANILA, P. I., March 30, 1902.

SIR: Confirmatory of my telegram, "Cholera is now present Manila, 18. Think the disease was introduced by vegetables, Canton. The local board of health is taking all necessary steps to control. Quarantine rigid," of the 23d instant, I have the honor to report as follows relative to the occurrence of cholera in Manila, the progress of the disease to date, and the rules and regulations enforced to prevent its spread:

I think cholera had existed in Canton, China, for some time before its presence was reported, and during this period the Canton vegetables were permitted to be landed in Manila. This city is the greatest vegetable market in the Orient, as nothing of that character is produced here, all such supplies have to be imported, and all green vegetables